

REMARKS

Claims 2-8, 15-16, and 36 are pending; claims 2-8 and 36 are allowed; claims 1, 9-14, and 17-35 are cancelled; and claims 15-16 are currently amended.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for allowing claims 2-8 and 36.

The Examiner has rejected claims 15-16 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Gross in view of Yip. Although applicant disagrees, applicant has amended these claims to recite "approximating the bandwidth as indicated by . . . a quotient," which corresponds to language of the allowed claims. As such, applicant respectfully submits that claims 15-16 are patentable for the same reasons as the allowed claims.

Based upon these amendments and remarks, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and its early allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 359-8548.

Applicant believes no additional fee is due with this response. However, if any additional fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0665, under Order No. 418268899US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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